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SUBJECT: QATAR/UNSC - LEANING TOWARD SUPPORT ON IRAN  
SANCTIONS RESOLUTION

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¶1. (C) Ambassador met with Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Ahmed Al-Mahmoud (number two at the Qatari MFA) December 13 to encourage Qatari support for the UK-French draft Iran sanctions resolution (reftel). Al-Mahmoud said Qatar followed French amendments closely and is "positively" inclined to support the resolution. If a consensus can be reached, he said Qatar would also support it. If the resolution comes to a vote, he said "we will make a decision at that time," while leaning toward support.

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